

SOCIETY



MRS. BENJAMIN AMES LANING.
Formerly Miss Barbara Harris Sharp, whose marriage took place last evening.



MRS. JOHN BREWER.
Formerly Miss Rosalind Deering Caldwell, whose marriage took place last evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. R. A. Caldwell.



MISS FLOSSIE IVY NEWCOMB.
Whose marriage to William Edward Grigg will take place Wednesday.



MRS. JOSEPH EDWARD O'TOOLE.
Who, before her marriage yesterday, was Miss Katherine Wood Hazen.



MISS AGNES SHACKLEFORD.
Daughter of Representative and Mrs. D. W. Shackelford, who will be married to Mr. William Tell Johnson Wednesday.

WHILE partisanship of favored sons is running high and the chief topic of conversation in drawing rooms and clubs, as at all other meeting places, is anent the two big conventions, so soon to be held, and the results so soon to be determined, the weather bureau, with calm impartiality, is meting out to republican and democrat staying on at the capital the same delightful weather that is making Washington an ideal summer resort.

Officialdom is congratulating itself accordingly, for there seems to be a universal belief that Washington will be the summer home of many whether weather conditions remain perfect or not, for the wives of congressmen are the authority for the belief that the gentlemen who meet every day before noon "on the hill" will continue so to meet during all "the good old summertime," or for at least the greater part of it, and houses are being furnished with summer accessories in town, or other houses being taken in the suburbs to make the best of the situation.

So far the situation is taking care of itself and the drives in the parks and along the Speedway are as delightful as any along the countryside of summer resorts, while the Chevy Chase Club, the Virginia Country Club, where the President and Mrs. Wilson get their recreation, and Grasslands, not to mention a half dozen other open-air clubs, offer a life as diversified as any country club has to its credit.

Many to Remain Here.

The Vice President and Mrs. Marshall in taking a house in Chevy Chase for the summer are demonstrating their belief in a prolonged session of Congress, a belief seconded beyond a doubt by the Secretary of War, who this past week installed for the first time his family in their new home here, a home which has been chosen in the suburbs, too, not the only reason of its location being a desire to give the children plenty of breathing and playing space, but because it, too, is to be a summer home, where the Secretary and Mrs. Baker can be comfortable for what the diplomats call "the heated term."

Though Senator and Mrs. Swanson own a big farm down in Virginia, not so many miles away, they purpose to keep open their home here on R street, for where the senator is there Mrs. Swanson elects to be also, and the senator expects to be in Washington.

The solicitor of the State Department and Mrs. Cone Johnson have taken an apartment at the Dresden for the summer, another significant fact, and Mr. and Mrs. Hampton Gary have also declared their intention of remaining in town.

Staying on in town will surely simplify life for many a busy hostess and housewife, for the perplexing question where to go will not have to be met and wrestled with, and just remaining home with all the conveniences of one's own home does not seem such a terrible thing to many, who agree with the Irishman, who, hanging on to a street car trap, with several tired and sleepy children hanging likewise on to him, remarked on a return trip from Coney Island, "Sure life would be all right if it wasn't for our pleasures."

The prolonged cool spring has given to vegetation in Washington such a start that its chances for remaining green and fresh throughout the summer are of the best, and every season the gardens in the city and in its suburbs offer more and more attractions to the home-lovers. Apropos of the growing beauty spots of Washington, Mme. Vignal, wife of the military attaché of the French embassy, who, by the way, is also to be a resident of Washington this summer with her husband, is one of those who note the

great difference in the city of today as compared with what it used to be some dozen years ago, when her husband was before accredited to this post. As Mme. Vignal remarks then there was only grass surrounding the homes of Washington, now there are shrubs and flowers and trees planted, all to the greater beautifying of the city.

Dan Cupid is no respecter of persons nor conventions nor politics, and the returns of his activities along his own peculiar line keep coming in to the absorbing great interest of those in whose affairs he takes a hand, and to the pleasure of their many friends and their social conferees.

Miss Williams' Engagement.

The engagement of Miss Francis Williams, third daughter of Col. John R. Williams, U. S. A., and Mrs. Williams, to Mr. John Ballantine Pitney is of peculiar interest to Washington, for she has grown up here and her family has for many years been closely associated with the social life of the capital, her two elder sisters having been married here, one to Mr. Joseph Leiter, the other to Mr. William F. McComb, and while Mr. Pitney is not a Washington man, the fact that he is a nephew of Justice Pitney of the supreme bench gives him a claim to the interest or affection of a large circle of the capital's representative circle.

The arrival of Mrs. Bryan, the former chief lady in the cabinet circle, in Washington for a few days gave rise to a round of entertainments, which, though small and most informal, were none the less enjoyable. Mrs. Burleson, wife of the Postmaster General, was hostess to Mrs. Bryan at an al fresco luncheon at the Pierce mill, in Rock Creek Park, when the company numbered several other women associated with Mrs. Bryan when she was a recent resident of the capital, including Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. McAdoo, Mrs. Houston, wives of her husband's former conferees. Mrs. Carl Vrooman, also a guest, was later Mrs. Bryan's hostess at an impromptu dinner at her hospitable home on I street. Several of those who broke bread with Mrs. Bryan during her brief stay in town will meet her again shortly at Chicago and St. Louis, for she will accompany Mr. Bryan to the conventions. Another visitor to Washington within the week for whom other social gatherings have been called together is Mrs. Post Wheeler, wife of the secretary of the American embassy in Tokyo, who has been visiting Senator and Mrs. Ollie James.

Dinner Parties Hold Sway.

The formal dinner still continues to hold sway over the social program, and the Spanish ambassador and Mme. Itiano played the parts of host and hostess at a notable assembly at the embassy the beginning of the week, but while formality still plays its part in things social, the informal affairs are gaining day by day, or night by night, in popularity, thus giving the spice of variety to the program. Motor parties to some suburban retreat or wayside house are much in vogue, and of assistant secretaries of

the Treasury and Mrs. Peters were hosts at such, entertaining at a luncheon at Dover House, which was also a rendezvous for other parties later in the week.

One of the largest luncheons of the week was that given by Mrs. Harris, wife of Rear Admiral Frederic R. Harris, when the decorative scheme for the table was carried out in Mrs. Aaron Ward roses, a rose that has played a prominent part in many social gatherings the past season, at dinners, luncheons and teas, to say nothing of weddings, the dainty yellow tea rose being a prime favorite with bridesmaids, so that society matron and maid have

more than a passing interest in the opening at Wilmore of the wonderful rose garden of Rear Admiral Ward, U. S. N., and Mrs. Ward, for whom the lovely rose was named.

hundreds of roses will be in full bloom next Thursday, when the century-old garden Rear Admiral and Mrs. Ward are the proud possessors of at Roslyn, Long Island, will be thrown open to the public for the benefit of the American Ambulance Hospital in France. At a similar rose show last year over a thousand persons visited the old garden, and the sum raised purchased an ambulance, which was most appropriately named in memory

of Claude Pernet, son of the well known rosarian of Lyons, who lost his life for his country.

Items of Interest.

Mr. Raymond McMillan and his sister, Miss Madge McMillan, left Thursday for Camden, Mich., to attend the wedding of Miss Eva Woolfe and Mr. Thomas Rogers, June 14. Mr. McMillan will be best man at the wedding. Mr. McMillan will return just after

the wedding, but Miss McMillan will remain in the west all summer.

Mrs. Imogen Moore Detweiler of Herndon, Va., and Washington is spending the months of June and July visiting friends and relatives at Philadelphia, Camden, Georgetown and Laurel, Del.

Miss Margaret Lyddane has returned to her home in Rockville, Md., after visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles B. Lyddane, in Wardman court.

Among those from Washington who attended the June ball at the Naval

Academy were Miss Ethel Day, Miss Virginia O'Neill, Mr. Frank Iden and Mr. Harold A. Long.

Miss Agnes Reppner will give the commencement address to Miss Madeline's School, at Rauscher's, Tuesday afternoon, June 6th, at 5 o'clock. Her subject is "The Gospel of Amusement."

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ruckman have recalled their invitations for Monday

evening, June 5, on account of serious illness in the family of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Sweeney, who were to be guests of honor.

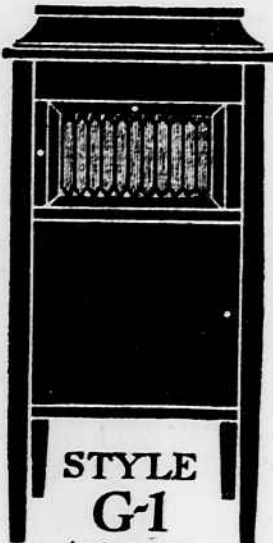
Miss Mary Frances Shuford of Asheville, N. C., is the house guest of Miss Glennie Long Tomlinson, at 2423 14th street, northwest. She came from Shorter College, Georgia, and from this point goes to Chicago University for a special summer course.

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